

Abstract

The invention relates to an apparatus and a method for recording data which corresponds to a written or drawn item of information. The apparatus according to the invention includes a writing instrument which produces a conventional image, and which records the conventional image in the form of data, as well as a writing pad.

The apparatus can be used to provide both an electronic detection of script or a detection of drawings, and a conventional detection of script. The apparatus according to the invention has first means for continuously determining the positions relative to a starting position for the application of the information, and second means for continuous absolute determination of the positions.

The possibilities of use are very multifarious: to be mentioned, inter alia, are filling in preprinted forms, verifying signatures and, in general, recording text and drawings made by hand. However, the invention is also used in the case of inputting data into data processing units, as well as in operating mobile phones or mobile computers.

Figure 1

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